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Bill Summary

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Currently, the sale of all machines and equipment used to furnish or dispense goods or services are considered a retail sale and are subject to sales tax. Under this bill, the sale of coin-operated devices whose main purpose is to provide amusement and entertainment would now be exempt from sales tax as a “sale for re-sale.” Exempt devices would include juke boxes, pinball and video games, foosball and pool tables, photo booths, batting cages, and machines used in carnival games and rides.

Machines and equipment that would remain taxable include:

- vending machines;
- food and beverage machines such as soda and frozen drink dispensers, soft serve ice cream machines, rotating hot dog warmers, gum ball machines, and popcorn machines;
- medical devices such as blood pressure monitors;
- non-coin operated amusement machines such as karaoke machines, regular ping pong tables, pool tables, and similar items.

Effective for sales and purchases made after June 30, 2013.